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Michael Flowers Project Executive American Bridge/Fluor, A JV 375 Burma Road Oakland, CA 94607

Dear Michael Flowers,

## Tower Shaft Assembly Lift 1 East Shaft

This letter serves as a reminder to ABF that the three partial mock-ups, the Tower Splice (114m) mock-up and the Dimensional Verification Plan are required to be accepted prior to start of Tower fabrication. ABF has been permitted to proceed with fabrication up through machining and drilling of diaphragm subassemblies and welding of stiffeners to skin plates prior to completion of those requirements. Please reference State Letters 05.03.01-000891, 05.03.01-001261, 05.03.01-001918, 05.03.01-002207, and 05.03.01-002559.

ZPMC began tack welding diaphragms to the east tower skin plate assemblies on September 23, 2008. The sub-assemblies that are being joined must have passed the required NDT. Proceeding in this manner is not in accordance with the approved fabrication procedures and is contrary to "Green Tagging Acceptance Procedures" being implemented by the parties.

Please be advised that the following requirements remain to be fulfilled prior to full production work:

- 1. The Dimensional Verification Plan for the Tower must be submitted and approved.
- 2. Completion of the 114m mock-up in accordance with Submittal ABF-SUB-000094R02, which was approved on June 12, 2008.
- 3. Completion of the "35mm fit lug" partial mock-up to resolve issues with the 77m and 89m mock-ups. This work should be in accordance with ABF-SUB-000101R03, which was approved on June 12, 2008.
- 4. Completion of the "15mm fit lug" partial mock-up to resolve issues with the 77m and 89m mock-ups. This work should be in accordance with ABF-SUB-000101R06, which was approved on August 14, 2008.
- 5. Completion of the partial mock-up of the Tower Strut in accordance with ABF-SUB-000101R07, which was approved on August 13, 2008.

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ABF is hereby notified that by proceeding with the work prior to fulfilling the above requirements, the Contractor assumes the risk of rejection of the work and/or additional rework and repairs, for which the Department will not be responsible.

Sincerely,

GARY PURSELL Resident Engineer

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